



Appointments and Briefings

August 31, 2015 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

1. Citizen’s Input Time – Not to exceed the first thirty (30) minutes of the meeting.
 - 1a. Donna Barnes, 99 Bluefield Street, New Bedford, MA, 02740, speaking on the “School Issues”
 - 1b. Joyce Rowley, 49 Orchard Street, New Bedford, MA, 02740, speaking on the Buttonwood Park Zoo Elephants
 - 1c. Cheryl Lizotte, 371 County Street Apt#7, New Bedford, MA, 02740, speaking on “The Homeless”
 - 1d. Randy Jones, 22 McGurk Street, New Bedford, MA, 02744, speaking on the “Opportunity for Small Business for Inner City Youth”

INVITEES: Donna Barnes; Joyce Rowley; Cheryl Lizotte; Randy Jones

2. Written Motion, Council President Lopes, Councillors Martins, Morad, Alves, Winterson, Rebeiro and Bousquet, requesting that the City of New Bedford make much needed improvements to our newly updated City of New Bedford website to include ADA compliance for our City residents that have physical disabilities, and are unable to use the services that our website provides. (Ref’d 10/23/14, 11/18/14-tabled, 03/31/15-tabled for 90 days (**JUNE 31st**))
 - 2a. Communication, Council President Lopes, submitting copy of letter from Mr. Phil Zukas, New Bedford, MA, relative to possible improvements to the City of New Bedford Website rendering said website fully compliant with ADA guidelines. (Ref’d 10/23/14, 11/18/14 – tabled, 03/31/15 – tabled for 90 days (**JUNE 31st**))

INVITEES: Rep. of the Mayor Christina Connelly; MIS Director Maria Pina – Rocha; Phil Zukas; Alan Andrade

3. Public Hearing, on Communication/Demolition, New Bedford Historical Commission to the City Council, re: PARTIAL DEMOLITION, 597-603 BROCK AVENUE, HAZELWOOD PARK, circa 1854 Coffin-Howland House: “the circa 1854 Coffin Howland House is a distinctive example of the Gothic Revival style of American domestic architecture; the structure was initially built as a barn by Joseph Congdon on the rural estate he called “Hazelwood “; the structure is in a deteriorated condition, has suffered from an arson fire and repeated vandalism, and is a threat to the public welfare; the structure has deteriorated to the point of collapse and is beyond reasonable repair and based upon public

comments, the City will reach out to the neighbors and greater community to determine their thoughts on the potential consideration of demolition of the entire building; and therefore, “the NBHC has determined that the Coffin-Howland House is a historically significant structure but not preferable preserved.” (Ref’d 7/16/15, Advertised in the Standard-Times on August 18, 2015)

INVITEES: New Bedford Historical Commission Chairperson Diana Henry; Planning and Community Development Director Patrick J. Sullivan; Preservation Planner Anne Louro; DIS Commissioner Danny Romanowicz; Parks Recreation & Beaches Director Mary S. Rapoza; Abutters

4. Communication, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council on behalf of ***Albert N. LeBoeuf, 66 Giffords Lane, New Bedford, MA 02740, d/b/a LEBOEUF LIVERY SERVICE, INC., 416 Elm Street, New Bedford, MA 02740***, hereby submits a copy of the Application requesting a RENEWAL of a Private **LIVERY LICENSE**, under the provision of M.G.L., Chapter 159A, Section 1, and amendments thereto, and M.G.L. Chapter 270, Section 22 (Smoke Free Workplace Law) and all other laws applicable to such operation to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (***Current License expired 03/11/14***) (Ref’d 6/25/15)

INVITEES: Albert N. LeBoeuf

5. Communication Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of SHERRY MCTIGUE, New Bedford, MA 02740, to the ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, replacing Ian Comeford, whose term expired December 2014; Ms. McTigue’s term will expire December 2019. (Ref’d 6/25/15)

INVITEES: Sherry McTigue

6. Communication, Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of CELINE SARAIVA, New Bedford, MA 02744 to the PROBLEM PROPERTIES APPEALS; Ms. Saraiva’s term will expire June 2018. (Ref’d 6/25/15)

INVITEES: Celine Saraiva

7. Communication, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council to the City Council, on behalf of ***Robert Neves, 420 Huttleston Avenue, Fairhaven, MA 02719, d/b/a WHALING CITY TRANSIT , 16 Shore Street, New Bedford, MA 02744***, hereby submits a copy of the Application requesting a **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 159A, Section 1, and amendments thereto, and M.G.L. Chapter 270, Section 22 (Smoke Free Workplace Law) and all other laws applicable to such operation to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (Current License expired 11/14/14) (Ref’d 7/16/15)

INVITEES: Robert Neves

8. Communication, City Clerk/ Clerk of the City Council, to the City Council, on behalf of ***Yesenia Maldonado, d/b/a YESENIA TRANSPORTATION, 177 Grinnell Street, New Bedford, MA 02740,*** hereby submit a copy of the Application requesting ***NEW Private Livery License,*** under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 159A, Section 1 and amendments thereto, and M.G.L. Chapter 270, Section 22 (Smoke Free Workplace Law) and all other laws applicable to such operation, to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (Ref'd 7/16/15)

INVITEES: Yesenia Maldonado